





# LYCOMING

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## EXPLO '75

A BACK-TO-NATURE EXPERIENCE  
FOR NEW FRESHMEN

An innovative program designed to help incoming freshmen "increase academic performance by developing confidence in their ability to achieve" will be inaugurated this summer in conjunction with three of the four freshmen orientation sessions scheduled at Lycoming College.

The program has been organized by the office of student services at Lycoming and has been designated "EXPLO '75." Its goal, according to Jack C. Buckle, dean of student services, will be to provide an outdoor experience which includes stress situations to help students gain a better understanding of "who they are and where they are."

Explo '75 is based on the principles of Outward Bound, an international cooperative program sponsored by more than 20 U.S. and foreign universities and colleges—and will be restricted on a voluntary basis to freshmen admitted for the fall term. Each session is limited to 20 students. Partial sessions will spend five days in the mountains of central Pennsylvania surrounding the Williamsport area.

The first of the planned sessions will be held June 24-29 following the initial orientation on June 22-23. Subsequent Explo '75 programs will be conducted after orientation on July 5-11 and July 20-August 1.

Two associate deans, R. Albin Smith and Douglas J. Keener, will serve as instructors for the three sessions. Each will have an assistant. The instructors have completed the regular 31-day Outward Bound program in North Carolina and both are experienced in outdoor activities. An expert instructor in rock climbing will be added on the day climbing is scheduled.

Dean Smith said the special skills or knowledge of the outdoors are necessary to participate. He explained that the instructors are trained and qualified to teach the skills needed to live comfortably in an outdoor setting.

Discussing the philosophies which prompted the Explo '75 program, Dean Smith said that it will provide a positive living experience which goes beyond the traditional classroom. Included are camping, hiking, rock climbing, and, most importantly, group decision making. It is designed to help each participant appreciate and better understand individual capabilities—and, at the same time, help individuals develop awareness of the mutual responsibility each has for the welfare of others.

The dean added, "Specific experiences are designed to enable students to make strides along the road to self-understanding, and to make decisions with justifiable confidence in their own ability."



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## LYCOMING COLLEGE FUND FACTS

Even though the Lycoming College Fund was started in 1968, there is still some confusion as to what sort of fund it is and how it is used. It is an annual fund and is used to help meet the operating costs of the College. At one time it was called the Alumni Fund, and only alumni were asked to contribute. All constituents of the College—alumni, parents, friends and business and industry—are now asked to support the fund.

The Lycoming College Fund operates on the calendar year, and the report of the 1974 campaign appeared in the March issue. It revealed total gifts of \$92,798.28, a decrease of \$1912.90 from the previous year. It is interesting to note that alumni contributions dropped from \$31,027.93 to \$26,432.97, while non-alumni gifts increased from \$30,183.25 to \$36,465.31.

The 1975 campaign began January 1, and to date over \$17,000 has been received. You will be hearing more about the importance of this fund for the coming academic year. In the meantime, your contributions will be very much appreciated.

## STRAUSER AND STUDENTS SURVEY CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM IN NEW YORK CITY

Eleven Lycoming College students, along with their professor Larry R. Strauser, spent the week of May 19-25 in New York City working in a May Term course in Criminal Justice System.

The students were exposed to all aspects of the criminal justice system in action and followed many of the steps in the process of police and corrections work. They visited the New York Police Academy and various courts in action. There were in-service training sessions in several social agencies: Halfway House for Women, Men's Federal Detention Center, Fortune Society, and Offenders Aid Restoration (OAR). The last two agencies are run by former convicts who work with those released or to be released from institutions, helping them to get jobs and make adjustments to the world they are re-entering.

## SUMMER CAMPU'S ACTIVITIES

- Twenty different groups totaling more than 3500 persons are scheduled for conferences and meetings on campus this summer.
- May Term enrolled 370 students in 43 courses, some of which met off campus.
- Preliminary Summer session enrollment is projected at 177 students, more than half of them registering for two courses.
- The Arena Summer Theatre will stage three productions: "The Music Man," the first-time class of musical theatre; the "Brightfist," "Harvey," and a lesser known, "British and It Broadway," hit entitled "The Contraband."

# REPRESENTATIVE STUDENT ART WORK



This page features representative work of art students in several media. The top four shown with the artists, were a small part of the student art show that hung in Pennington Lounge in April. Both art majors and non-art majors participated. And Roger Shipley, chairman of the art department, observed that many favorable comments about the show were received. Some works were purchased by other students and faculty members.

The bottom four are photographs produced by May Term students in the Photography Portfolio Workshop. Terry Wild, instructor.

We regret that space limitations and black-and-white reproduction do not permit more complete and accurate coverage of the creative work being done by many incoming students.



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